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John Roth Farm
Redhouse
Private

1896

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

John Roth Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 219, east side, 2½ miles south of Redhouse

CITY, TOWN

Redhouse

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

John P. Roth

Telephone #:(301) 334-2062

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Redhouse

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 396

Folio #: 880

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT ☐ DETERIORATED
☒ GOOD ☐ RUINS
☐ FAIR ☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The John Roth Farm is located west of Backbone Mountain on the east side of Route 219, 2½ miles south of Redhouse. The Roth farmhouse is typical of turn-of-the-century Garrett County farmhouses, a frame 2-story, three bay by one bay dwelling based on the ell-plan.

The facade faces NW, towards Route 219 and has a central entrance. A one-story porch with a hipped roof, supported by four posts runs across the facade. There are two bay windows under the porch, on either side of the entrance. There is a one-story enclosed shed addition on the SW elevation of the ell.

The house rests on a stone foundation and has aluminum siding; original siding is weatherboard. The gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. There is an interior brick chimney on the NE elevation. Windows are 2/2 sash.

The aluminum siding and the shed addition were added in 1968, according to the present occupant, John Roth.

There are two date stones in the foundation, on either side of a cellar entrance at the rear, SE elevation of the ell. The date on the east side (right) of the entrance marks the date of construction for the present house; it reads: "D.O. Roth/ July XII 1896." Another date stone on the south side (left) of the entrance came from an earlier house on the same site; it reads: "July 1, 1847/ T.R. J.G." John Roth believes the "G" stands for Gower, another pioneer family in this area.

A frame bank barn lies SW of the house. It was built in 1906; a date stone reads: June 20, 1906. The balloon frame addition to the SE elevation of the barn was added in 1963. (interview, John Roth).

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	1896	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The John Roth house and barn represent common forms of building construction found in western Maryland - the 2-story, 3 bay by 1 bay frame dwelling based on the ell-plan, and the frame bank barn.

According to the present occupant, John Roth, his great-great-great grandfather settled on the western slope of Backbone mountain, approximately 1 mile east of this site. Later, presumably in 1847, as the cornerstone from the previous structure reads, Roth's great-great-great grandfather moved to and constructed a house on the present site. This earlier house was replaced in 1896 by the present house.

Descendents of the early Roth settler still live on several farms within 2 or 3 miles of the original settlement.

One of the crests of Backbone Mountain just east of the original Roth settlement bears the name Roth Rock, indicating the importance of this family in the settlement of Garrett County.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with John Roth, August 18, 1980

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Donna Ware, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

July 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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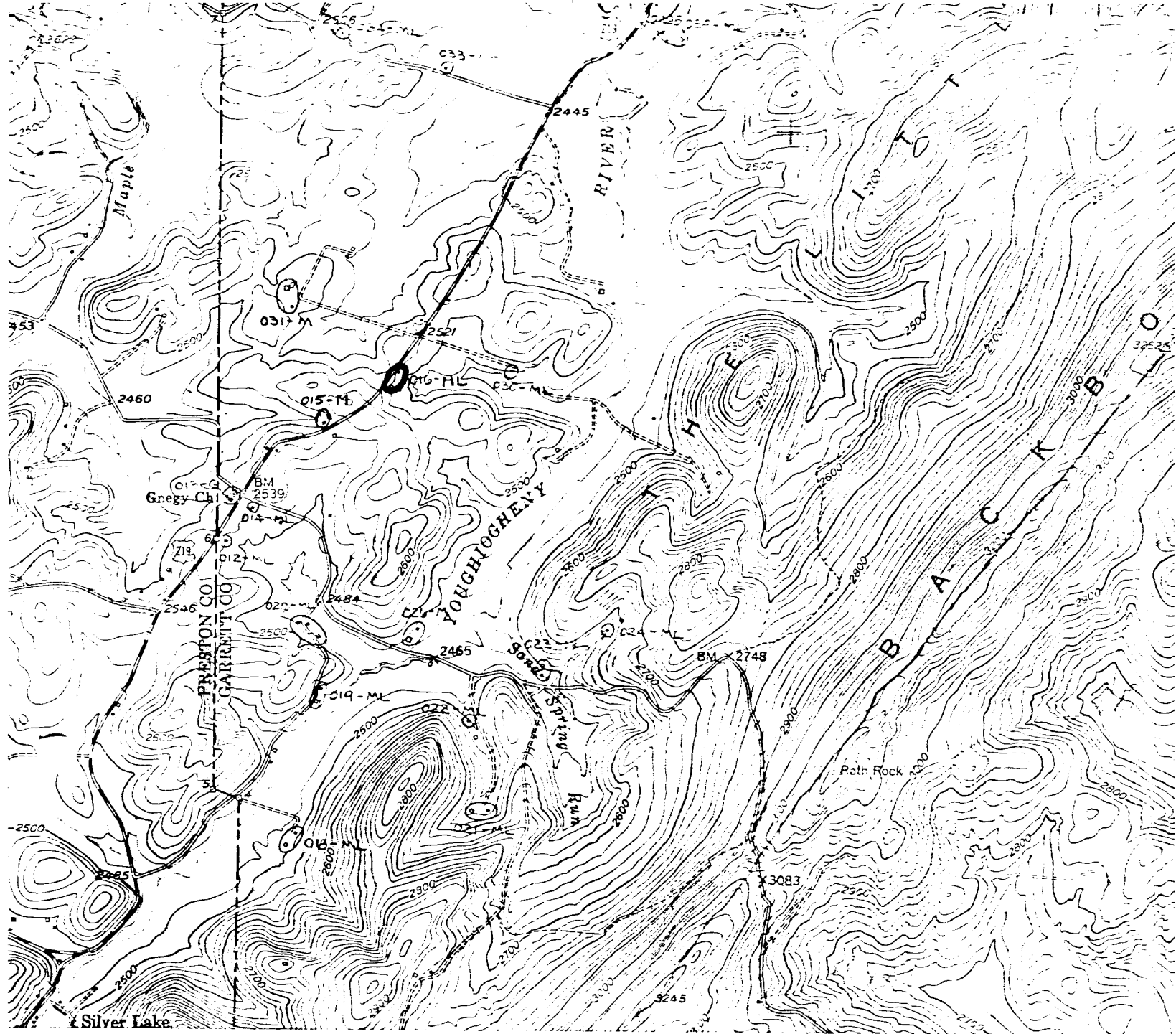


Table Rock, MD WV
 USGS 7.5 Minute Series
 Scale 1:24,000
 1948; photorevised 1974

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NW elev, *Facade*



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SW elev.



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NE elev.